fectus producere poſſunt, & etiam planetis aliquando res miras & utiles dare.

VI. *An Extract of a Letter from* Oliver St. John, *Eſq; F. R. S. dated from* Florence, November *the* 30*th*, 1731, N. S. *Communicated by* R. Graham, *F. R. S.*

WHEN I conſider how many are charged overlaid in the Bills of Mortality, I wonder that the *Arcutio's*, univerſally uſed here, are not uſed in *England*. I here ſend you the Deſign of one, drawn in Perſpective, with the Dimenſions, which are larger than uſual.

The ARCUCCIO. *Vide Fig.* 3.

a, The Place where the Child lies.

b, The Head-board.

c, The Hollows for the Nurſes Breaſts.

d, A Bar of Wood to lean on when ſhe ſuckles the Child.

e, A ſmall Iron Arch to ſupport the ſaid Bar.

The Length 3 Feet, 2 Inches and a half.

Every Nurſe in *Florence* is obliged to lay the Child in it, under Pain of Excommunication. The *Arcutio*, with the Child in it, may be ſafely laid entirely under the Bed-cloaths in the Winter, without Danger of ſmothering.

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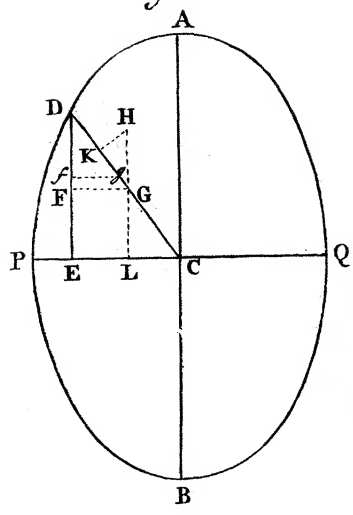
Fig. 1.



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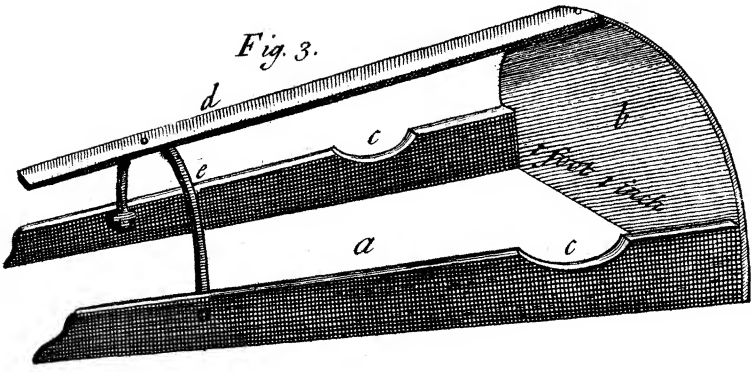

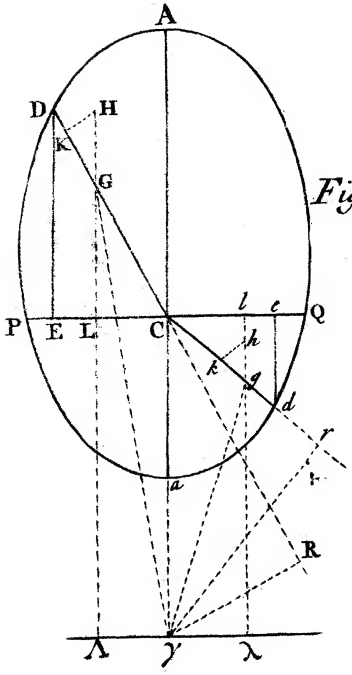

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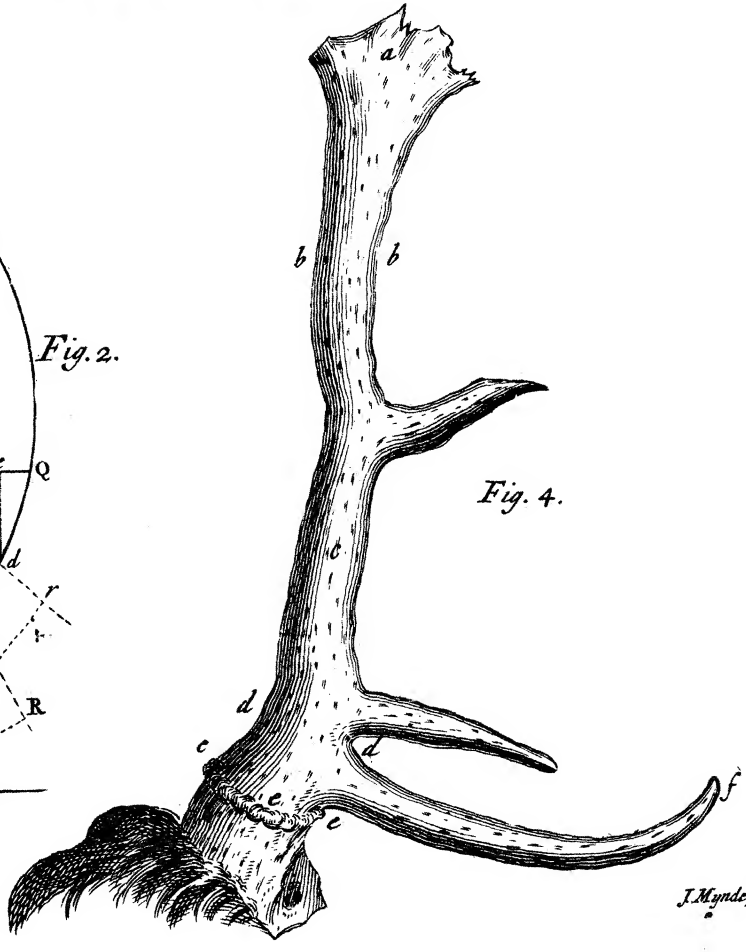

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